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This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97 through 1.98.

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Unless otherwise indicated, or unless references cited are U.S. patents or patent

application publications, a full text copy of the entire reference of published art is attached.

Where specifically indicated, an equivalent English language patent or publication is attached in

lieu of the translation.

An English language abstract is attached to DE 35 09 395 C1, DE 40 12 600, and DE 41

11 689 A1 to provide a concise explanation as to the relevancy of each reference.

Also, according to 1.98(a)(3)(i), a concise explanation is listed below, as it is presently

understood, of each foreign patent document not in the English language.

German Patent 1 115 472, mentioned in the German Examination Report, shows a

viewing device for microtomes wherein microscope is mounted on a carrier. The carrier can be

tilted or pivoted around a horizontal axis. The viewed object is positioned in the intersection of

the horizontal axis and the optical axis of the microscope.

German Patent 1 739 235, mentioned in the German Examination Report, discloses an

ultramicrotome which comprises a viewing device which is a stereromicroscope and an

illumination device for illuminating a sample to be cut. The illumination device is arranged such

that the light reflected from the surface of the collecting device is reflected to the viewing device.

In accordance with the Patent and Trademark Office Notice of August 15, 1980, also

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